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October 15, 1993

Letter No.: 93-74

TO: All County Welfare Directors
All County Administrative Officers
All County Medi-Cal Program Specialists/Liaisons

SUBJECT: HUNT V. KIZER COMPREHENSIVE BENEFICIARY NOTICE

REF.: All County Welfare Directors Letter (ACWDL) 93-63, 93-63A, and
E-Mail No. 93152

Providing Non-Beneficiaries With The Retroactive Medi-Cal Card Remedy Benefit

Counties should make provision to inform and process the claims of those individuals who contact counties for purposes of utilizing the "Back-Benefit" discussed in Section A, Part 2 (titled "Using Paid Or Unpaid Old Medical Bills Toward Your Share Of Cost To Get A Medical Card For A Past Month") of this Hunt comprehensive beneficiary notice. This benefit is the Retroactive Medi-Cal Card Remedy discussed in Section II.C of ACWDL 93-63. As explained in Section II.C of ACWDL 93-63, some of the individuals who will qualify for this Retroactive Medi-Cal Card Remedy are not current Medi-Cal beneficiaries. As these individuals will not have an eligibility worker, they may frequently phone the general welfare department number listed in the phone book.

New Hunt Benefits Described in the Hunt Comprehensive Beneficiary Notice

For county informational purposes, the following sub-headings of this Hunt beneficiary notice describe new Hunt benefits that are NOT effective until October 5, 1993: 1) "Section A, To Claim Back-Benefits;" 2) "Collections and Credit Card Statements;" and 3) "You Will Be Informed How To Correct Old Medical Bills Not Accepted By Your County."

Ongoing Hunt Benefits Described in the Hunt Comprehensive Beneficiary Notice

The subheadings of this Hunt beneficiary notice which describe ongoing benefits that are already in effect are: 1) "Section B, To Get Current And Future Medi-Cal Cards," 2) "Procedure For Processing And Recording Your Old Medical Bills," 3) "Your Medical Bill(s) Must Qualify," and 4) "How Old Can A Bill Be?." Individuals with questions pertaining to the material described in this Hunt beneficiary notice under the subheading titled "Notice of Hearing" must contact legal aid groups via the telephone numbers provided in this beneficiary notice.

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Please contact Dave Rappolee of my staff at (916) 657-0163 if you have questions regarding this ACWDL.

Sincerely,

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Frank S. Martucci, Chief
Medi-Cal Eligibility Branch